

ST. LOUIS.

A Canvass of the Choice of Delegates by States.

TILDEN THE LEADING FAVORITE

Results of Lobbying in Hotel Corridors and on Sidewalks.

JOHN MORRISSEY ON THE WARPATH.

Kelly and the Anti-Tilden Men Showing Their Hands.

SHARP CRITICISM BY OUTSIDE DELEGATES.

An Albanian Trying to Open the Eyes of a Californian.

has been duly honored, and that the choice of a candidate now belongs to the West. If, however, the Convention should force the candidate on New York, then they say they are bound, in the interest of the party, to support the candidate. Governor Tilden cannot carry the State and that either Governor Seymour or Chief Justice Church would be a more available candidate. This style of talk has an apparent fairness about it, and has, no doubt, had some effect on outside delegations. The canal opposition, represented by Canal Commissioner Walworth, is more violent in expression, and less effective in consequence.

THE TAMMANY FIGHT against him would help Tilden rather than injure him if it were the only element opposed to him. Mr. Schell says little and confines himself to his room. Mr. Kelly himself is cautious, and while declaring openly against the Governor endeavors to convey the impression that there is nothing of a personal character in his opposition. The men who swing in the halls and barrooms and proclaim their hostility to Tilden as the representatives of Tammany Hall are not the sort of persons likely to influence the delegates from other States. Then they meet persons who dispute with them whenever they attempt to denounce Tilden, and as they are better at rum selling and rum drinking than in arguments they generally manage their cause instead of benefiting it. The contest thus far has been waged altogether on Mr. Tilden, therefore, and has been conducted without reference to the better availability of any other candidate. It has been on one side an effort to convince every outside State that Governor Tilden cannot carry the State he has been successful in for two successive years, and on the other an attempt to show that Governor Tilden is now stronger than ever, and that the opposition to him is a personal and unworthy one.

THE FINANCIAL TROUBLE. It is noteworthy that the Hendricks campaign, toward which the Western inflationists have hopefully turned their eyes as a refuge from the hard money danger in Tilden, is likely to disappoint them. Hendricks men will fear you as greatly as any sucking dog on financial subjects. One of them assured me that there could be no greater difference between two men's views on finance than there is between the views of Governor Hendricks and those of Mr. Allen, of Ohio. He was asked about the payment of the public debt in greenbacks, and he said that when Governor Hendricks supported that as the policy of a Western party, it was because they believed it to be what the law meant, but as Congress had made an authoritative declaration on that subject that it could no longer be regarded as the law, and Governor Hendricks, and he supposed every one else, had given up. On the inquiry why a party generally seemed to be opposing Governor Tilden, mainly on financial grounds, there was earnest for Hendricks, my informant thought that there was a popular misconception of the ground of difference; that Indiana favored Hendricks because he had always been her candidate, and she believed that with any other man Indiana would be last in October; that Ohio opposed Tilden not at all on financial grounds, but because in the last State election he had given aid and comfort to the enemy and so assisted to defeat Governor Allen; in short, the Indiana view of the difference between Eastern and Western men on finance is that it all turns on the word resumption. Tilden they label as the candidate of enforced resumption and Hendricks they contemplate as an equal believer in the advantage of resumption when it can be reached by the growing up of the moderate resumption, and the grandeur of inflation reduce itself when scrutinized closely in the claims of a candidate; but it is whispered that the Indiana men have received the cue from their Tammany friends that their only hope is to make the mammoth inflation smile mildly, and draw in its horns like a little Kyles cow.

HANCOCK'S STRENGTH. If he really has any, it is at present held in reserve. Pennsylvania will present his name and give all the votes of the State for him, and he will get some others, but at present his friends seem scattered all over among the delegations, a few in each, and they will be overshadowed by their associates, unless a rally on the General should be made. In that case he may show stronger than Hendricks is.

A MILITARY CANDIDATE. The opposition to a military candidate is gradually developing itself in a marked manner as Hancock's name begins to be heard. Mrs. Burrat's execution seems to be less urged against him than the general objection to a soldier President.

THURMAN AND GOOD OPINIONS. Thurman develops a moral but not a numerical strength. He has every one's good opinion, but is not a far way to get any one's vote. He is very much in the position here that Washburne was in at Cincinnati; his strength as a candidate is conceded by all thoughtful persons, but the want of support from his own State is regarded as a fatal defect. It is held, however, that if the Ohio men could be induced to lay aside their sympathies and present his name unanimously he would immediately run into a position scarcely inferior to that held by Mr. Tilden himself, and that at once reconciling the Eastern and Western differences on finance and would be more available than Tilden to the West, and equally so as to the East, and more than any other person, except Tilden. He is recognized as a consistent opponent of jobs and jobbery. In his candidacy the element of weakness would be that it relinquishes the reform movement, and so would commit the party to a somewhat less emphatic assertion of that issue, would assimilate the democratic action to that of the republicans, who, instead of Brastow, accepted Hayes. Its strength, however, is that Thurman could carry every State which anybody can claim for Tilden; could carry some which Tilden cannot, but he needs a star in his own State, and that is the only one he has.

THE PANORAMA OF THE SITUATION AT ST. LOUIS. The panoramic picture of the situation at St. Louis, drawn by the press correspondents from day to day, must be understood as representing the condition of affairs existing at the moment and likely to materially change very few hours. Speculations as to this or that candidate's prospects are not to be taken as that combination is mere speculation, and must be regarded as such. It is based mainly upon the gossip of outsiders and the stories vary in accordance with the wishes of those who tell them. The most positive manner in which Tilden is already beaten and his friends give up this fight, while another asserts positively that Tilden's nomination by two thirds of the Convention on the second ballot is no longer a matter of doubt. At one end of the hall of the Southern Hotel or of the Lindell House you are let into the secret that Hendricks is positively to be the nominee, and at the other end a confidential whisper assures you that everything is fixed for a concentration on Hancock. The only solid facts yet developed are that Governor Tilden has a positively and widely spread strength, which, but for the purely personal warfare made upon him by disaffected democrats in New York and by the most rabid of the inflationists in Ohio and Indiana, might result in his nomination by acclamation; that neither Hendricks nor Hancock, who are the two most talked of candidates in opposition to Governor Tilden, has yet shown any warm or extensive following, and that no other name that has been around seems at present to possess any great strength. Whether Mr. Tilden can obtain a two-thirds vote of the Convention, which will be 226 votes, if the Convention adhere to the practice of the party insisting only on the electoral vote, is as yet an open question.

UNEXPLORED STATES. The States which have no candidate of their own, and are not instructed as to their vote, uniformly declare that they do not care for candidates, and desire only to cast their votes for the man who can win. As Tilden alone shows strength their inquiry naturally is, Can he carry New York? and to the answer to this momentous question the Tilden and anti-Tilden clans sedulously address themselves. On the Tilden side it is, of course, insisted that Tilden beat Dix for Governor in 1874 without the aid of a vote from New York city, and that he carried his State ticket in 1875. Such anti-Tilden men as John V. L. Frye, Erasmus Corning and the like take the ground that they agree with Governor Seymour and Chief Justice Church in the statement that New York does not want the nomination at this time, feeling that in those who has received in the three last Presidential campaigns

boys are all for Tilden, some sharp encounters, going beyond words, may be anticipated. As these scenes occur in the sight of respectable delegates and outsiders, it is not to be wondered at that some sharp criticism about the conduct of the sort of democrats that the Tammany machine produces.

SENATOR JOHN MORRISSEY is here, having arrived this morning, and is doing good service for Tilden. As soon as he had taken a bath and a breakfast he went to work in a quiet, gentlemanly way, and while avoiding all discussions and noisy broils is making rapid strides toward breaking down the force of the anti-Tilden statements. He tells plain facts; shows what Kelly's rule in Tammany is; describes the men who are doing his bidding by pretending that Tilden cannot carry New York; exposes the Canal Ring; gives the personal opposition to Tilden its proper character, and states his readiness to bet \$100,000 that if Tilden is nominated he will carry New York. Senator Morrissey draws crowds of attentive listeners wherever he appears.

JOHN KELLY'S TALK IN WARREN. A prominent but not very discreet Tammany man, in conversation to-day at the Southern Hotel, was asked if the Tammany leaders honestly believed that Hendricks would carry New York. "Well," was the reply, "we don't feel quite so certain of that because of the soft money question. But then if he did win the election, you see, he would give the federal patronage in New York to Tammany Hall. Kelly would rather have a republican President elected than a democrat who wouldn't do that, because, you see, the Custom House and all them federal offices, if they were in the hands of any democrats except Tammany, would raise up a power against the regular organization and knock us all out." As it is very hot in St. Louis, it is unnecessary to state to what place, it is expected, an anti-Tammany Custom House and Post Office man in New York would consign Tammany.

"That's just what old Tilden would like to do," added the Tammany oracle. Here is another specimen of the Tammany talk against Tilden. It is from the mouth of Colonel Roberts, who has just returned from Springfield, Ill., having been sent there as Mr. Kelly's lieutenant to denounce the Governor while the State Convention was in session.

"I tell you, sir, there is no possible chance of Governor Tilden's nomination. This is all idle wind what we hear, of his holding the two-thirds vote. He cannot get half the votes. Stuff like this by the far-look is reeled over the Tammany chain on all the street corners of St. Louis.

TWO REMARKABLE PERSONAGES. In the current moving men that constantly circulate through the various rooms there are noted many queer associations of human creatures; but one of the most remarkable was seen to-day in the Tilden rooms. Two tall men stood with their heads together and laughed and chatted quietly; one was a man so large and heavy that his height was not noticeable. A broad and ponderous person, soberly dressed in a blue dannel suit, with a massive head covered with snow white hair almost as heavy as a lion's mane, with large, well cut features, skin so red as almost to be copper colored, and a blue eye that has lost what fire it ever had. The other man, tall, gaunt, airy, alert, active, sharp, old, but not subdued; gentle, but not yielding; persuasive and full of reason. One of these was Montgomery Blair, the other was Senator Gwin.

Senator Gwin, a member of the Ohio delegation, of General Jackson, or dalled with the days of Van Buren, or paused with such merely modern memories as the names of Pierce and Buchanan might call up the subscriber, I cannot say; but it was quite to see two such old timers once more together on the democratic war path. Senator Gwin said, in conversation, that he had been impelled to come to St. Louis, because he believed the future safety of the government depended upon the action of this Convention in a very great degree. "We are unanimously in favor of Mr. Tilden in California," said the venerable statesman, "because we admire the boldness with which he has undertaken to purify the government of his own State, not pausing to consider whether the thieves he was after were his political friends or foes. We can fight under his banner a battle of aggressive reform, and we shall support him with enthusiasm. You know we have had an experience with thieves that has taught us to love bold and earnest reform. Through the force of circumstances we in California have become natural detectives, and thief-catchers; we can detect in a moment those who have sympathy with thieves, and as to the thieves themselves, why we have taken them out on trees and lamp posts. That is why we are for Tilden and that is why we admired the boldness of Brastow, who drew his sword in the midst of an army of thieves and carried dismay into their ranks. He knew what sort of men he had to deal with from the experience of the infamous assault on burglary conspiracy and the murderous assault on the person of the Governor. He knew that if he did not resist, he would be regarded as a coward, and he would be committed to protect themselves, but he did not fear them. In like manner Mr. Tilden fought bravely for reform, although he drew a hornet's nest of his own political friends about his ears, eager to sting him to death. If Brastow had been nominated at Cincinnati and Tilden here I should have joined my arms and taken no part in the contest, for I should have known that, whatever candidate might be elected, the country would be safe; but Hayes, whatever his personal character is, represents corruption. He is bound to the corrupt body by which he is nominated, and he cannot free himself if he would; hence the necessity of Tilden's nomination, and my presence here is to do as much as is in my power to promote it."

AS ALBANY AS AN EX-OPPRESSOR. An incident occurred this morning which Senator Gwin did not speak, but which reached the Albany correspondent from another quarter. Colonel Walter Church, of Albany, who is a bitter anti-Tilden man and an old acquaintance of Senator Gwin, sought an interview with the Senator to-day. Colonel Church's object was to "open the Senator's eyes" and to convert him to anti-Tildenism. For nearly an hour the Albanian piled the Californian with a string of Tilden's frauds and pretensions in the character of a reformer, and at last came down to the story of the democratic State Convention held at Utica to choose delegates to the St. Louis Convention. At this point of the conversation Senator Gwin rose and said, "Mr. Church, as you have got to the Convention you may as well stop there. That Convention declared by a unanimous resolution that Governor Tilden was the choice of the people of New York for the Presidency, and endorsed his official career, why did not you and your friends who represent speak out like men then and there and oppose that resolution?"

"But you don't understand the Convention was a packed one and composed of a set of rascals," said Mr. Church.

"That is not true, sir," was the Senator's reply; "the Convention was composed of honorable men; you and your friends should have opposed the endorsement of Governor Tilden if your views are as you state them to be."

"We could not do so; we were crushed down," said Mr. Church.

"Do you think I am a child?" said the indignant Senator. "You could not have been prevented from expressing your views in that Convention, and by keeping silent then and coming here now to stab the Convention in the back, and to wound the honor of your own State, you play the part of arrant cowards, who are unworthy the notice of gentlemen."

The conference here broke up, and Colonel Church did not make a convert.

A STORY BY MR. BLAIR. Mr. Montgomery Blair told a story to-day in the rooms of the Michigan delegation, which indicates the tendency of the German vote, and which, as this element has great strength in Ohio, may make the vote of that State less certain for Hayes than it is now regarded. Stated, who it appears is one of the great men of the Cincinnati Germans, was requested by republicans there to preside at a Hayes' ratification meeting to be held in that city, but declined, saying that he intended to wait, and if the democrats at St. Louis had sense enough to nominate Tilden he would support him.

Jack Hayes, the Texas ranger, now a delegate from California, declares that he will rise in the Convention and propose a vote of censure on Tammany for having, as a regular democratic organization, come here with hired gangs to oppose and defeat the unanimously expressed wishes of its own regular democratic State Convention, of which its representatives were members. He says these Tammany men must be taught that they are now among Western

men, who do not the cowardly mode of fighting resorted to by Indians.

MR. SUMMIT COX is on his road to St. Louis. It is said that he desired to dodge the Tilden conflict and so wished Burton N. Harrison to take his place. But Colonel Harrison is a Tilden man, and "Sammy Cox" got a letter from Mr. John Kelly, telling him that if he could not come to St. Louis as a delegate somebody might go to Congress in "Sunset" seat next year. Cox therefore comes on.

THE NATIONAL DELEGATION. Messrs. John C. Fall, Ellis and Keating, of Nevada, and one-half of the delegation from that State, have arrived. They are without instructions in regard to any favorite. Among themselves they have come to an understanding to vote for Senator Thurman, of Ohio, on the first ballot, and for Tilden on the second; after that they are in favor of almost anybody, but General Hancock would be preferred. All these delegates are unanimously in favor of abolishing the two-thirds rule, and Mr. Ellis is said to be an able orator he will make a great effort in the Convention in that direction and advocate a majority vote rule. These delegates are of the opinion that an entirely new candidate, whose name has not been mentioned, will probably be the successful nominee.

UNVEILING A STATUE. The National Democratic Convention and nearly all of the delegates to the Convention now in the city attended the inauguration of the New Forest Park, which covers an area of nearly 1,500 acres of ground, situated some three and a half miles from the Court House, as also the unveiling of a colossal bronze statue of ex-Attorney General Edward Bates, consequently the here almost deserted. Lincoln, Governor Burdett, of New York, and Montgomery Blair, made addresses on the occasion, and Colonel Andrew McKinley, President of the Park Commission, gave a history of the park enterprise. Fully 40,000 people witnessed the ceremonies.

A GRAND OPPORTUNITY LOST. Governor Hendricks is reported to have said to Perry Smith, of Chicago, that if Governor Tilden is nominated here the democracy will certainly carry Indiana in October. In the rain, at ten o'clock P. M., the bands are in full blast, attending distinguished men at the hotels, and speeches are given from the balconies of the hotel, and the crowd is so large that it is impossible to get into the hotel.

SENATOR FRANCIS KERNAN was serenaded to-night at the Lindell Hotel. The Senator made a speech in response to the calls of the crowd and said he was for Tilden first, last and all the time. There was a meeting of the New York delegation and on motion of Colonel Roberts Senator Kernan was elected chairman pro tem, and Alfred Wilkinson, of Syracuse, secretary. On motion the delegation then adjourned until Monday at ten o'clock P. M.

MONTGOMERY BLAIR AND THE EDITOR OF THE WORLD. The World Editor, New York, June 25, 1876.

To the Editor of the World:—In a report published by you this morning of an interview held at St. Louis by a member of your staff with Mr. Montgomery Blair, formerly a member of the republican Cabinet of Mr. Lincoln and now an active adviser of the Democratic Convention at St. Louis, Mr. Blair is represented as making the following assertion about the World newspaper and myself:—

"This herculean labor he undertook when all the responsible people in power in the city were absolutely opposed to the nomination of Mr. Blair. He was a craze party, was contending day by day in support of the king. That was under Mr. Harbinger's management, and he was a very able and energetic manager, being quick and able to see to the management of his paper."

Accustomed though I am to rely on the accuracy of your reporters, I conceive it to be due to the character of Mr. Blair that I should allow nobody but himself to pronounce me that I have been guilty of making an observation which, if true, would be greatly impertinent, and which does not cease to be impertinent because it happens to be grossly untrue.

But it is due, also, to Mr. Blair, who is fortunately now at St. Louis, and to the World newspaper, that I should at once request you to oblige me by publishing this note. I am your very obedient servant, WILLIAM HENRY BURDET.

CROOKED WHISKY SENTENCES. CHICAGO, Ill., June 24, 1876.

In the United States Circuit Court this morning Colonel Jensen, on behalf of the defendants in the whisky case, asked for a stay of sentence. Judge Boggs, however, overruled the motion and pronounced the following sentences:—A. C. Heeling, to pay a fine of \$5,000 and to be imprisoned in the County Jail for the term of two years; O. H. Dickenson and Jonathan Able, distillers, each a fine of \$1,000 and three months in the County Jail; Simon Powell, a fine of \$5,000 and six months in the County Jail; H. B. Davis, a fine of \$2,000 and three months in the County Jail; F. L. Reed, a fine of \$10,000 and one day in the County Jail; H. D. Pannas and David W. Smith, each a fine of \$2,000 and three months in the County Jail; William Cooper a fine of \$200 and three months in the County Jail; R. P. Hutcheson and David Cochran, a fine of \$1,000 and three months in the County Jail; George T. Burroughs, a fine of \$4,000 and one year in the County Jail. Ex-Alderman Hildreth was called, but did not appear, and it is supposed he has gone to Canada.

THE CANADIAN RIFLE TEAM. QUEBEC, June 24, 1876.

The Canadian Rifle team sailed in the Polyneesian this morning. Lord Dufferin visited them before the departure of the steamer, and the men being tired, his Excellency addressed them briefly.

WRESTLING MATCH. BAEER AGAIN A VICTOR IN A GRACIO-ROMAN CONTEST. BALTIMORE, June 24, 1876.

In the Gracio-Roman wrestling match to-night between M. Thibaud Bauer, champion of the world, and Wilhelm Hoegster, "The Oak of the Rhine," boy holds, best three in five, stake \$1,500, the winner to take the net receipts of the exhibition, Bauer won the match.

Bauer has challenged Antonio Perry, of San Francisco, for the next wrestling match for \$1,000 a side and his expenses if Perry comes East.

BURSTING OF AN AQUARIUM. Yesterday evening a rumor was circulated to the effect that the aquarium in the Coliseum building at the corner of Broadway and Thirty-fifth street had burst and severely injured several persons. A Herald reporter soon proceeded to the place and ascertained that the accident had occurred about noon, while the workmen were testing it by filling it with water from a hydrant. The tank was about twenty-five feet in diameter and nearly circular in form. About one-third of this circle was lying on the ground on one side of the aquarium, several of the plates of glass being broken. The tank is said to have contained about 50,000 gallons of water. Mr. R. J. Edgar, bookkeeper for the "New York Aquarium," was also in the building in the office at the time of the accident, but he was not visible when the reporter called. Each of the glass plates was fitted into iron pillars, and each pillar was secured by a screw into the concrete. Strange to say, on each side of the part of the aquarium alleged to have been broken off, the glass plates were perfectly smooth edge, almost as if they had been cut off by a razor. The principal reason for laying the foundations for a larger tank was to enable the city to have a larger aquarium, and it was said that the men were just knocking off work and he was just shutting off the water when it burst. The accident, it is said, was caused by the fact that the tank was not properly secured. Three men were said by John Carroll to have been sent to the hospital. Since the accident a notice was posted on the wall of the aquarium, stating that the principal newspaper offices in the city, where he had acquired the different editors with the particulars of the accident. Strange to say, the tank was not rescued by the police until more than eleven hours after it had occurred. It is stranger still that so much pains should be taken to inform the public that it is due to the police. But stranger of all is that according to their accounts three men should have been severely injured and taken to Bellevue Hospital, and that only one man was found in it, Matthew Kelly by name, and he being only slightly injured.

HAYES AT HOME.

Fremont, Ohio, Abaze with Enthusiasm Over Her Favorite Son.

AN UNPARTISAN GREETING.

Governor Hayes Talking to His Fellow Townsmen.

TELLING ABOUT HIS BOYHOOD.

FREMONT, June 24, 1876.

The city is wild with excitement over the reception of Governor Hayes. For three days the citizens have been preparing for it. The Governor, under the escort of General Buckland and Judge Wilmer, and accompanied by a large delegation, arrived here at thirty-seven minutes after six P. M. He was greeted by a crowd of about 5,000 or 6,000 citizens at the depot, with wild huzzas, white bands of music were playing patriotic airs and cannon firing a welcoming salute.

The depot was beautifully decorated, and a floral arch was prepared for the Governor to march through as he left the train. Every available space was occupied by the enthusiastic crowd. Special trains are running on all the roads here. A carriage in waiting conveyed the Governor and escort to his residence in the suburbs.

The city is profusely decorated, all parties, without respect to political preferences, taking part in the cordial testimonial of respect and esteem to their fellow citizen, who has been complimented by an unsought Presidential nomination from the republican party. The meeting has nothing of a political character about it. Democrats take as prominent a part as republicans, and on all hands the enthusiasm is unbounded.

At eight o'clock P. M. the Governor was escorted to the City Park, which was a perfect blaze of light. The crowd gathered there numbered from 15,000 to 20,000. The meeting was called to order by General Buckland, who said:—"I introduce Mayor Dickerson, of the City of Fremont (Cheers)."

The Mayor arose and said:—

Governor Hayes:—In behalf of the City Council and citizens of Fremont, I welcome you home and congratulate you upon the distinguished honor bestowed upon you by the National Democratic Convention of one of the two great political parties of the country. I congratulate you also that those who have been by boyhood your friends and neighbors received with much satisfaction the news of your further advancement on the roll of fame. We all, without regard to partisan sentiments, feel proud, and we are, that you should have been chosen to this position, and we all feel that you are entitled to one of our fellow citizens. If in the course of events it should occur that the greatest honor in the country should be bestowed upon you, it would be a position of which the ambition of man can conceive, which has been held by Washington, Adams, Jackson and Lincoln, shall be held by Fremont's honored son. None will more cheerfully rejoice over that honor than we do. 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